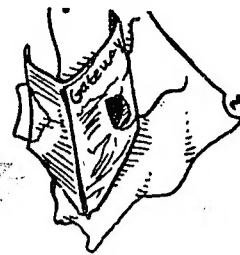


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Happy Halloween
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Halloween Adds Festivity to Campus



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Above: Deedee Sellers bounces 7 month old Klara Hobson to the music at the AAO Halloween Party Sunday night.

Left: During the Saturday volleyball game, Katrina Welbusch and her fellow cheerleaders threw Halloween candy to the crowd.

'Speak Out for Stephanie' Focuses on Victim's Rights Laws

A.M. RENEE

Staff Writer

In an effort to raise awareness of rape and encourage support for victim's rights laws in the United States, Gene and Peggy Schmidt of the Stephanie Schmidt Foundation visited UNO Wednesday to "Speak Out for Stephanie."

Stephanie Schmidt, the Schmidts' eldest daughter, was raped and strangled on July 1, 1993, two days before she turned 27. She was missing for 27 days before her murderer led authorities to her body.

Stephanie's attacker, coworker Don Gideon, was a convicted rapist on parole whose criminal record was known to their employer.

Since the day following Stephanie's funeral, the Schmidts have crusaded to press victim's rights legislation and public notification in regard to sex offenders.

Within nine months of Stephanie's death, the Schmidts succeeded in passing five laws in Kansas, their home state. The most controversial of these laws, the civil commitment law known as Stephanie's Law was successfully defended and upheld to the United States Supreme Court.

The Schmidts shared the most intimate details of their daughter's murder and provided interview footage of Gideon, pulled from an appearance on the "Maury Povich Show."

Listening to the accounts from Gideon, the students were given the opportunity to hear testimony from the Schmidts' "poster child" for Stephanie's Law.

"Don Gideon is the man who killed our daughter ... we think it's

important to introduce you to the man who killed our daughter to give you some insight into the criminal mind," Gene Schmidt said.

Along with this video and their own book on personal safety "Replacing Skeleton Key Thinking with Common Sense and Awareness," the Schmidts' also recommended "Obsession," a non-fiction work by former FBI agent John Douglas, an expert on criminal behavior.

They hope this understanding of criminal behavior will heighten awareness about safety by reducing complacency.

"If something this tragic could happen under circumstances of no risk (referring to Stephanie's uninformed decision to take a ride from a coworker), why take unnecessary risks? Why would you ignore basic rules of behavior that were taught to you in kindergarten," Peggy Schmidt said.

Because of the number of rapes perpetrated by persons familiar to the victim, the Schmidts feel it is particularly important to raise public consciousness about date rape, and to help young women realize exactly what constitutes rape and what they can do about it.

A step further, the Schmidts charge women with a greater responsibility to report any incidence of rape. Another shock during the investigation of Stephanie's murder came when another woman came forward, claiming to have been raped by Gideon in February 1993.

The victim decided not to report the crime immediately. As Gideon was on parole at this time, a vio-

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Union Pacific Gives Half Million to IS&T

MATT BURKEY

Staff Writer

Chancellor Nancy Belck announced that Union Pacific will give \$500,000 to the University of Nebraska Foundation to support the college of Information Science and Technology. This money will be used to help create a endowed faculty position as well as increase the total gifts given by Union Pacific to more than 2.5 million dollars.

"As a metropolitan university, corporate partnerships are vital to our mission," Chancellor Belck said.

Union Pacific's Railroad President Ike Evans said that establishing a chair at UNO supports the company's desire to keep a strong partnership with the school's hometown. It will help build a strong "win-win" situation that will benefit both the company and the community.

"It's important for us to take a civic leadership role in Omaha and our participation on this campus is something we're proud of," Evans said.

Also speaking at the press conference was Dominic Romeo, an Information Science and Technology major.

"It's important because it'll help attract top notch faculty," Romeo said.

In total Union Pacific has given more than 3.7 million to benefit multiple campuses in the University of Nebraska system.

Career Fair 2000 Offers Opportunities to Students

SANDRA COOPER

Senior Staff Writer

UNO students had a chance to shop for a job last Wednesday as the UNO Career Center hosted the "Job Search Tour 2000 Career Day Fair."

The Nebraska Room, inside the Milo Bail Student Center, was converted into an job market filled with career opportunities for students who were seeking employment.

Over 100 employers set up booths and display tables with job information, candy, baked goods, pencils, key chains and many more items to attract students' attention. The room overflowed with career opportunities in business, medicine, communications, science and technology and many more professions.

Peter Kiewit Sons', Inc. is a construction company that has 116-year history in constructing buildings and

various other projects inside and outside of the U.S. Robb Steffes, an engineer with Kiewit, said his company is looking for students with experience in engineering, construction, management, project management and field site management.

The Gallup Organization regional office, based in Lincoln, is planning to relocate to a new campus built along the Omaha riverfront in the near future.

"We are going to build a new campus down on the riverfront across from the new convention center. It's going to be beautiful," said Susan Shald, a recruiter for Gallup.

Shald said Gallup is looking for people in almost every field ranging from legal council to a chef.

First National Bank is another company that is currently constructing a new office building in downtown Omaha.

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Halloween Fun

Tips to keep those trick-or-treaters safe, and non-ghostly alternatives to traditional Halloween celebrations. **Page 2**

Hockey Team Tames Bulldogs

In Central Collegiate Hockey Association action this weekend, the Mavericks swept two matches against the Ferris State Bulldogs, 7-4 and 7-3. For a blow-by blow account, see **Page 8**.

Happy Halloween Alternatives

JILL OHLMANN

Staff Writer

Halloween. The word brings to mind images of carved pumpkins, haunted houses and sweet, angelic children dressed in costumes as they parade around the neighborhood in search of something to satisfy a sweet tooth.

Over the years, Oct. 31 has become a night of sweets, smiles and scares, and has risen in popularity to occupy the No. 2 spot in total sales of decorations, costumes and greeting cards.

But for many children around the country, Halloween is not a night of trick-or-treating in ghoulish costumes. In the past several years, churches and families across the nation have created alternative ways of celebrating Halloween. These celebrations have stemmed from growing concerns about the pagan roots of the holiday.

Steve Russo, an evangelist and host of the radio program "Real Answers," said that Halloween is "said to be a high holy day for Satan worshipers and Satanists."

In response to Russo's and others' warnings about the evils of the day, churches have begun to promote "Harvest Festivals" which are usually held the week of Halloween, and provide safe, Christian alternative celebrations for neighborhood families.

King of Kings Lutheran Church hosts an annual "Journey of Joy" carnival for the community. Aaron Beukelman, the special event coordinator for the church's "Kids Kount" children's ministry said that the celebration drew in over 700 children in 1999, and they anticipate around 1,200 this year.

"Our goal is to provide a kid-friendly environment where Bible events come alive," Beukelman said.

Creative alternative celebrations can be found across the country. Hillcrest Church of Christ in Abilene, Texas, began an innovative alternative celebration in 1998 called "Trunk and Treat."

Parishioners decorate their cars and park them in the church parking lot. The trunks are then filled with candy and other treats.

Children go from trunk to trunk and ask for treats from people sitting by their cars.

Last year, three other area churches got hold of the idea and sponsored their own "Trunk and Treat" celebrations.

Michelle Hemsley, an Omaha mother of three, grew up celebrating Halloween, but at age 12, her opinions of the holiday changed.

"Why would I celebrate something that glorifies Satan?" she said.

So on Halloween night, the whole family will get together to watch movies and eat plenty of candy.

She said that her family is not fanatical about what she calls the "evils of Halloween."

"We don't hide in our house on Halloween night," she said.

The family also attends the Harvest Festival that is held annually at their place of worship, the House of Prayer, a Pentecostal church in Omaha.

With all of the hits that Halloween has taken in recent years, Steve Russo believes that all the attention may be making the day more evil in the eyes of the country than it actually is.

Russo has often been asked if Christians should trick-or-treat and his reply is always, "It's an individual choice. I think as Christians, we ought to participate in an alternative that allows us to overcome evil with good. We need to turn on the light and talk about Jesus."

UNO freshmen Melanie Lemen, who stopped celebrating Halloween around the age of 12, has a specific view on the issue.

"It's not so much what people do on Halloween, but more what it stands for," she said.

As children wait in anticipation for tonight, one can be sure that it will be a festive night for all.

A child may spend the evening going door-to-door asking for treats, at a church harvest festival, or simply staying at home and enjoying a family celebration. But no matter how the holiday is observed, each child will no doubt drift off to sleep on Halloween night with a satisfied sweet tooth and delightful memories of the day.

A Spook-tacular Halloween Safety Guide

BRANDON COHEN

Staff Writer

If Halloween disaster strikes, are you ready? The truth is, many Omaha residents aren't prepared to have a safe and enjoyable Halloween.

During his 11 years on the force, Omaha Police Officer Jerry DeWitt sees the same problems — many preventable — Halloween after Halloween.

"Vandalism, big kids stealing little kids' candy and missing children are the three most common problems on Halloween," DeWitt said.

The vandalism, DeWitt said, is mainly broken mailboxes, toilet-papering and smashed-out car windows.

Like DeWitt, 22-year veteran of the Omaha Police Department, Kevin Parker said that he too sees "too many bigger kids taking candy from little ones" and that this type of behavior has become a common Halloween problem.

Some of these problems may seem to have no solutions, but Officer DeWitt disagrees. He said people should be more observant of the people and the area in which they're in.

"Never leave kids by themselves, and don't let them con you in to thinking they are old enough to go out with the big kids," DeWitt said.

Several other factors should be considered in order to have a safe Halloween. According to the Los Angeles Fire Department's national Web site on safety issues, pre-Halloween is the time to think about safety.

For example, their site recommends the following: start practicing Halloween safety the day you buy your costumes; plan costumes that are bright and reflective; and make sure that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping or contact with flame. Adding reflective tape to a child's costume was also suggested.

For all the worried parents, it might be a good idea to secure some sort of emergency identification to the child's clothes and make sure the costumes are flame resistant.

Also, switch from candles to flashlights or glow sticks. But if using fire, properly train children on the principle of stop, drop and roll.

Even props that accompany a costume can be dangerous as well. "It's really up to the parents to make sure that this doesn't happen and to filter it to the kids," DeWitt said.

Other dangers can be avoided by removing all obstacles off your front porch and most important, teach your children how to call 9-1-1.

Omaha Firefighter Chris Boehmer said, "Fires or fire-related injuries in Omaha are due to people putting their candle-lit pumpkins either too close to trick-or-treaters costumes or too close to flammable objects."

He recommended using flash lights or glow sticks rather than candles, especially if small children are present.

When trick-or-treating, a parent should always accompany young children in their neighborhood. "Look out for people who don't belong in your neighborhood," DeWitt said. "Most important, be aware and follow up on your suspicions."

He added, "if you think a person shouldn't be in your neighborhood, don't let up until you know they're supposed to be there."

After trick-or-treating, check your children's treats for tampered with or suspicious items. Parker asks that people not call 9-1-1 for suspicious candy. "Just throw it away," he said.

"Personally, I look forward to it," DeWitt said about Halloween. "Kids are so limited to what they can do these days. They look forward to Halloween and getting all the free candy."

Tips for a safer Halloween

- A flashlight helps you see and be seen by others
- Stay in a group
- Only go to homes with porch lights on
- Remain on well lit streets and use the sidewalks
- Never cut across yard or use alleys
- Never enter a stranger's home or car for a treat or any other reason
- Remove masks or anything that will limit eyesight when crossing streets
- Motorists have trouble seeing trick-or-treaters, give them the right of way
- No treats should be eaten until they have been thoroughly checked by an adult
- Law enforcement authorities should be notified immediately of any suspicious or unlawful activity
- For all you big kids, don't drink and drive
- With all this in mind, make this year a great time for the family, friends and all the other ghost and goblins in town.

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town Omaha.

Liz LaSure, Employment Representative for First National said, "The typical students that we are looking for are students close to graduation, interested in various fields from customer service, accounting, sales and management."

"Consider an exciting career as a police officer with The Omaha Police Department," was a slogan from manuals given out at the career fair by OPD Personnel Specialist Ethel Street.

Street said OPD is accepting early registrations for police officers for the enrollment class of 2001.

Walgreens is the 14th largest drugstore chain inside of the U.S. and it will have over 2,000 openings for store managers in the next three to five years nationwide, Store Manager Mark Schiffmann said.

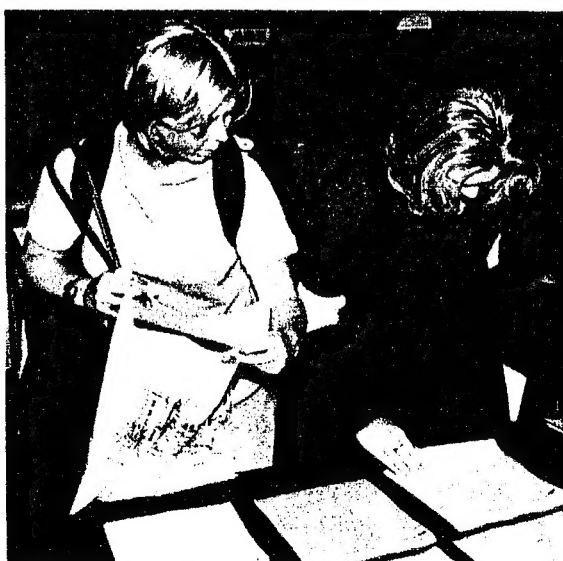
"We are looking for a student with a bachelor's degree in management, someone who's a go-getter, with good management and people skills," Schiffmann said.

Sharon Knierim, an Alegent Health human resources recruiter, said "We are looking for students who are entering the health field. These students could expect

to work anywhere from food service, environmental services right up to a respiratory therapist."

Union Pacific was another company looking to recruit students majoring in marketing, finance, economics and auditing.

"We are looking for students that show a lot of leadership in their interviews, have a lot of interest in the company and who are hard working people," said Terrell Anderson, an account representative for Union Pacific.



Shawna South and Kimberly Krenkel sift through their many options at the career fair.

Jon Helgason

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Scary Old England

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Thinking of vacationing in Europe? Travelers might want to think twice if they have chosen East Anglia, Suffolk, England as their destination. The town is crawling with paranormal activity and even has its own group of ghostbusters to investigate eerie occurrences.

Alan Murdie's journey as a part-time ghost hunter and chairman of the Ghost Club of Britain, reported to the East Anglian Daily Times that East Anglia is a spooky place.

"East Anglia is one of the most haunted parts of the UK, with records going back hundreds of years," Murdie said in an Oct. 27, Daily Times interview. "Bury alone has reports of at least 20 different ghosts and I suspect the real figure may even be higher."

Murdie noted the town's infamous tales of the Grey Lady, who haunts Bury St. Edmunds. The Grey Lady is believed by local legend to be a nun named Maude Carew. Carew is said to have been involved in an assassination plot to kill Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester, who died in 1447. Carew supposedly administered the poison to Humphrey, but accidentally poisoned herself in the process. Legend has that she appears on the anniversary of her death at 11 p.m.

In 1750 Tobias Gill was hanged for murdering a servant girl. Gill, a drummer in the Suffolk regiment, may have been innocent and is believed to roam the village of Blythburgh.

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lation would have sent him back to prison, saving Stephanie's life.

"Who does it hurt if a rape goes unreported?" Gene Schmidt asked. "I really feel that no woman should be so selfish as to keep the rape to herself, because I've felt the consequences of that selfishness."

He added, "By not reporting rape, you simply make the rapist invisible. If he's invisible, he's undetectable. If he's undetectable, he is free to continue to rape."

Their daughter's murder has radically changed the course of the Schmidts' lives. "I never imagined that I'd be traveling around the country, raising awareness about this," said Gene Schmidt.

They have left their advertising business in the hands of their surviving daughter, Jennifer. Most of their time is spent with the foundation, traveling around the country to testify before legislative bodies and speak to students.

"Stephanie no longer has a voice of her own," Peggy Schmidt said. "Therefore, others must speak out for her. Stephanie is a representative of all victims of violent crime."

Even with the change in their lives following their daughter's death, the Schmidts do not

The legend of Black Shuck, is of a phantom dog that roams the Suffolk countryside.

"I remember old people in the village telling me about a ghostly white dog, which is meant to run down Barton Hill at midnight," Murdie said. "It's supposed to be the transformed spirit of a lady who died in an accident learning to ride a bicycle, some time in the last century."

The Nutshell pub, one of the smallest pubs in England, has a ghost of its own. A spirit of a murdered boy is said to appear on the third floor. Witnesses say the temperature has fallen when the spirit has been in the room.

Murdie's career as a lawyer has given him a rational view of his ghostly experiences in East Anglia. He is also a member of the Society of Psychical Research. He joined the Ghost Club in 1994. Among his tools for working with paranormal activity are video cameras, hand-held thermometers to note the dropping temperature and tape recorders.

"There are things such as magnometers, which detect electrical fields," Murdie said. "I take somewhat heretical view that the best equipment is the human body. And one thing we do is chart different people's reactions to different places, to try and make sure it isn't just a case of our imagination."

Will travelers run into Count Dracula while in England?

"I don't lose any sleep over the existence of vampires," Murdie said. "You're dealing with folklore and myth in a big way. But that's as far as it goes."



Gene Schmidt reads a passage from the book he and his wife wrote after their daughter was abducted and murdered

regret a move since the funeral.

"We brought up our daughters with the philosophy that you cannot necessarily control what happens to you," said Gene Schmidt. "You can only control your reaction to it. God has tested us, and our entire belief system. We could be bitter, but we cannot do anything for Stephanie anymore. What we can do is to help her friends, those who loved her and to try to help other victims of violent crime, by speaking out."



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Health Tips from the Nebraska Medical Association

by Zahra Cheema-Features Editor

Keep Exercise Alive During the Dead of Winter

With winter rolling around the corner, outdoor activities often get put off because of the temperature.

The Nebraska Medical Association reminds people to remain active and exercise even during the cold winter months.

If you already belong to a health and fitness club, the winter should not affect your routine. And if you do not belong to one, you can still stay in shape. You can buy exercise equipment for your home to exercise with such as a treadmill, stationary bike or stair climber. If you do not want to spend money on exercise equipment, there are other alternatives. Walking at an enclosed mall, using an exercise video, or doing general exercises like sit-ups, push-ups and jumping jacks work as well.

Keeping active is not only good for your body, but it can also help you avoid getting Seasonal Affective Disorder, or the "cold weather blues" that may occur as the temperature begins to drop and the days become shorter.

The NMA says maintaining a healthy

lifestyle is something that a person should do every day of the year, so do not let the cold weather get you down and stay in shape.

How to Avoid Holiday Overeating

There is Halloween candy in October, a Thanksgiving feast in November and Christmas treats in December. With all these attractive items up for consumption, it is very easy to fall into the trap of overeating.

The Nebraska Medical Association has a few tips to help you control the urge to overeat.

According to the NMA it takes 20 minutes for your stomach to register that it is full, so it is recommended to eat slowly when eating.

Also, if there are many foods to choose from, select the foods you really enjoy, and eat less of the other foods offered.

Another tip is, if you know ahead of time that you will be attending an event where there will be a lot of food, try not to skip a meal earlier in the day. This will just increase hunger, and you risk eating a lot more food.

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Make Your Voice Heard



Renaissance Woman
By Rae Licari

As many of you may or may not have heard, one of the local radio stations may be up for sale. The station I'm talking about is KIWR 89.7 FM, commonly known as The River.

The River is the radio station run by Iowa Western Community College, across the river a few miles into Council Bluffs. It is a tool used for teaching students in the media studies program.

The River's Web site (<http://www.897theriver.com>) says IWCC recently received an offer from an undisclosed party to buy the station. Furthermore, the site states: "The college MUST consider this offer, for it is responsible for using taxpayers' money in a fiscally responsible way."

I don't know if I am the only one who is sickened by the thought of a change in The River's format, for that's what such a sale would mean. In the years following the demise of the alternative rock station The Edge (KDGE 101.9 FM), I found a happy home for my eclectic listening tastes in The River.

In my opinion, The River is the absolute best radio station anywhere. And yes, I am including stations outside the Omaha metro area, because in all my travels and all the years of living on either coast, I cannot think of a single station that I liked better than I like The River now.

Why do I like the station so much? There's actually quite a few factors.

Probably the most important reason is the fact that The River plays the best music, period. The station has the best variety and the best quality in programming. Not only will you hear good songs almost all of the time, but you also won't get the same 12 songs played over and over again until you are so sick of hearing them you take a sledgehammer to your radio. That's not something the other Omaha stations can claim.

The River is also quickest to snatch up new music and throw it into rotation. I can't count the number of songs the station started playing weeks, even months before anyone else did.

Another reason I love The River is that the station does more for supporting local music than any other station. Last time I checked, The River was the only area radio station that had music by local acts such as Clever, Grasshopper Takeover, Five Story Fall and Pomeroy in HEAVY rotation.

Finally, The River is a non-commercial radio station, which means you don't have to suffer through 20 minutes of commercials after every three songs. The only things you might have to listen to are the short promos for Iowa Western that run every so often, and even with those, you still get to hear more music than you would at another station.

Besides the fact that the programming would change if the station were sold, the opportunity for students at Iowa Western to learn the aspects of radio broadcasting would not be the same. The station is a student media outlet, and the sale to an outside party would deprive the students of the chances they now have to learn how a station works. So, not only would this sale adversely affect the radio's audience, but it would affect the people involved with it as well.

Maybe you don't listen to The River and you don't care if the station is sold. That's fine, sit back and do nothing.

But, if you do listen to The River and you like what you hear, you have a responsibility to make your voice heard. The Board of Trustees is holding a hearing Thursday at 7 p.m. in IWCC's Kanawha Arena. Show up. Bring a friend. Make sure you let them know you don't want the station to change. Otherwise, you'll have to live with the mediocre Top-40 drivel (or worse) that results from this ordeal.

For more information, a map of how to get to IWCC or to sign the on-line petition, visit The River's Web site at <http://www.897theriver.com>

Capel Cottage Revue

by David Johnson



Cruisin' the News

• God Forbid

Linda Watson has filed opposition to plans for a building to be erected near her business. You see, Watson is owner of "La Petite Aroma," a legal brothel in Sydney, Australia, and the planned new building is the Uniting Church. "A church could bring in people who would cause problems for us," Watson said.

This is the first time Watson can recall be opposed to an erection of this sort.

• Hopping Mad

Pedestrians at Beckenham Place Park and golfers at The Golf Club in southeast London have come under attack. The aggressor appears to be a ... six-foot kangaroo. There have been numerous sightings, including one by a woman who claimed the 'roo kicked her dog out from under a bush.

Poor dog. I mean, who would ever expect to go to a park and get a Skippy jar?

• Cop's Coke Caught On Carpark Camera

A 28-year-old police officer was arrested last week after he was filmed by a security camera snorting cocaine. The incident took place in a city car park, where the off-duty officer was snorting the stuff off the hood of his car. He has been suspended for "discreditable conduct," and is free on bail until next month.

I guess not all the white stuff you see on a policeman's mustache comes from eating powdered doughnuts.

• Captain, I Can't Believe My Ears! Frankly, Spock, I Can't Believe Your Ears Either.

Christie's of Los Angeles is auctioning off the plaster cast used to make Mr. Spock's ears in the original Star Trek television series. The mould

is expected to fetch bids close to \$20,000. "In memorabilia stakes, these are about as sought after as it gets," Trekkie Kevin Redmond said. "The next best thing would be a William Shatner toupee."

Which you can get on Priceline.com for next to nothing.

• Women Are From Venus, Men Are Basically Stupid

According to Alan Pease, author of the book "Why Men Don't Listen and Women Can't Read Maps," there is a reason women wrap men around their little fingers. It is because women can use five different tones when communicating verbally, while men can understand only three. Therefore, women keep men confused.

That's not it. The key to understanding women is ... uh, um ... uh ... oh, forget it.

• No Anchovies Please, They Give Me Heartburn

To celebrate the new Catholic holy day for pizza makers, Oct. 25, chefs in Rome created a new pizza especially for Pope John Paul II. It's called the Papizza. Happy pizza makers handed out 50,000 free slices to people all over the city.

Now that's what I call the real God Father's pizza.

• Follows Too Fast

Robert Follows, age 18, was ticketed for speeding five times in 53 minutes on Oct. 24. Three of the tickets were issued on the same street, the other two came on the next street over. His top speed was 52 mph in a 30 mph zone. According to Follows' attorney, Graham Daniel, "He was not aware he was breaking the speed limit at the time."

Yeah, it takes me five tickets before I get it figured out too.

• Is This How The New Math Looks?

Italian mathematicians Guido Caldarelli of the University of Rome and Andrea Capocci of Fribourg University have published their report in New Scientist magazine in which they claim people would be much happier in marriage if they chose partners by their personality, not by looks. Their study is based on a mathematical formula in which attractiveness was given an arbitrary score. When the attractiveness score was zero, all the people in the study found a partner ranked at 70 or better. When the attractiveness score was greater than zero, only a handful found a partner.

This is how our marriage worked out. My wife is extremely happy ... despite my looks.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Our family has demonstrated the ideals of strong marriages in Nebraska since 1860. Our parents and grandparents were married for 50 and 62 years. Our family was voted the Knights of Columbus "Nebraska Family of the Year" in 1981. We know how committed, lifelong relationships contribute to a healthy life. But now a part of our family, our son and brother David and his partner Robb, is under attack from a proposed change to the Nebraska Constitution.

In defense of our family and the civil liberties of all Nebraska citizens, we urge you to reflect upon the Nebraska State motto, "Equality Before the Law." Whether you agree or not with people's choices and no matter what your religious beliefs are, this is a civic matter and we must think civically, openly, and with the interest of all Nebraskans in mind.

The extremism of amending the state constitution is uncalled-for. All Nebraskans concerned with protecting their own liberties must vote against the proposed amendment that will ultimately defend bigotry and discrimination and sow the seeds for further restrictions on our freedom.

Eugene, Betty, Scott, Rebecca and Robert Gilsdorf

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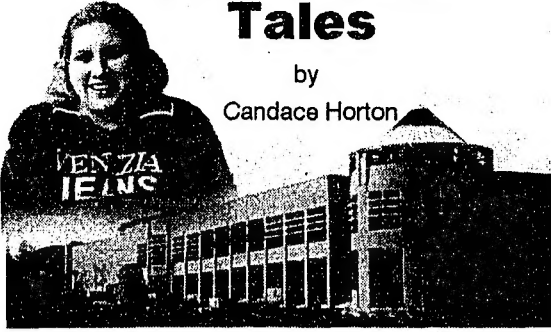
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Twice Told Tales

by
Candace Horton



About two years ago, a very good friend of mine came to me with a very important part of her life. She told me that she was choosing to live an alternative lifestyle. She told me that she was a lesbian.

It came as no surprise to me. She had done things and said things that gave me clues as to her true feelings. She was even shocked when I wasn't surprised.

About six months later, she and her partner decided to have a commitment ceremony, sort of marriage for those with alternative lifestyles. Although the marriage would not be recognized by the state of Nebraska, they felt that it was right for them. Just like any other couple, they looked forward to having children and raising a family.

In Nebraska right now, there is a heated debate about those who choose to be like my friend. It seems as though the people that make the laws want to make this sort of union illegal and unlawful. They call it a "Defense of Marriage Act." The group argues that marriage is a sacred trust that will be violated by people who choose to live an alternative lifestyle and forge a domestic partnership.

Marriage, in the traditional sense, is a domestic partnership. In the eyes of the law, when I married my husband, I formed a domestic partnership. This means that I promised to take care of him for the rest of my life and he promised to do the same for me. He can make decisions for me when I am unable and I can make decisions for him when he is unable. This is the basic thing that Gay and Lesbian couples want. They want to raise a family and take care of one another just like heterosexual couples.

This bill trying to be passed reminds me of the struggle that took place almost forty years ago: the Civil Rights Movement. During that era, there was a heated

debate about interracial marriage. Many people cried against the marriage of whites and African Americans, just like they do to couples today that choose to live their lives alternatively. Laws were passed many years ago to prevent those of Caucasian persuasion and those of African persuasion from getting married. In essence, those who chose to marry a person of another race were choosing to lead an alternative lifestyle. Many believed that this was wrong. But, who were they to judge what boundaries love must have?

The laws of that time were declared unconstitutional. They were removed from the proverbial books and people were allowed to marry whomever they wanted. As long as the person that was chosen was of the opposite sex.

Color no longer mattered in the eyes of the law.

Now, however, we are being asked to decide whether love can have gender boundaries. From the earliest time I can remember, I was taught to love the person on the inside. Judging the person's outward appearance was wrong. If we are going to teach these values to our children, why do we have to limit the love that they can offer to another human being to only a specific gender?

I choose to teach my children to love everyone, regardless of race, color or sexual orientation. They love my friend and have accepted her life partner into their lives. When I go to vote, I know that I will be voting my conscience, and thinking of my friend's hopes and dreams.



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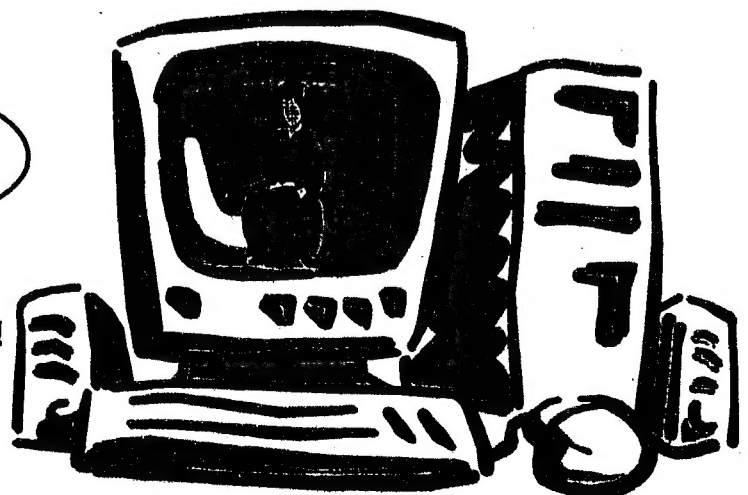
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HORROR-SCOPES

by Madame Zora

Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)

You hear a sound during the night. You awake to find Hitchcock's silhouette at the foot of your bed. All of a sudden a flock of shadow birds attack him. Then they come after you.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

When you print something, pages will spill out the printer, trapping you to the ground. The harder you fight to get up, the more the sheets of paper suffocate you. You've been gotten by the printer.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

This week you will dream that your pillow is attacking you. When you wake up, you find your pillow on the ground and your leg gone. And then you wake up again.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

You go to the mirror, and after you leave you notice your reflection is still there. It begins to talk to you. You scream hysterically when it starts singing Prince songs.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)

Beware of the trees this week. As you walk by them, they will spit leaves at you at lightening speed. No one will believe you, so always take a companion with you and wear a hard hat.

Aries (March 21 - Apr. 19)

The ghost of your last half-eaten burrito is haunting you. Everywhere you go, you can smell a hint of salsa and beans in the air. Either eat them all, or don't eat them at all.

Taurus (Apr. 20 - May 20)

Whenever you walk past the pumpkins outside your house, you see one wink at you. First you think it is just your eyes playing a trick on you, but when you walk by again, it winks again. Someone's got a pumpkin crush.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)

All the numbers on your calendar are having a little fun with you. They decide to rearrange themselves every few days. You have now missed two tests and handed in a paper five days late.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

This week, every time you enter your e-mail user name and password, the computer says it is incorrect. You try it again and again, knowing that the information is right, but again the computer refuses it. It is after you, Charlie.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)

While in bed, you will hear a tiny scratching at your door, almost a gentle patting. You get up nervously and open the door. It is nothing ... or is it?

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

You find mysterious Post-its all over your desk, notes like "remember to floss" and "don't brush too hard"... I think the tooth fairy took a wrong turn.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)

Every time you pick up a piece of candy, you hear it whispering to you.... "do you really want to eat me, do ya, punk?"

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Choral Kaleidoscope: FUN and *Glory*

review by DAVID M. JOHNSON

Editorial Staff

The University Chorus and Showcase UNO teamed up for an evening of serious worship and downright swinging fun Thursday at the Strauss Performing Arts Center. The Recital Hall was jammed to the rafters with an audience rightly appreciative of the night's eclectic entertainment.

First on stage was the UNO University Chorus, under the direction of Z. Randall Stroope. This 68-member ensemble, accompanied on piano by Carole Troube, certainly brought its best.

Nickson's "A Festive Alleluia" set the tone for the evening, delivering a serious message with a joyous upbeat. This was followed by two mass works.

J.S. Bach's "Sanctus in D Minor, BWV 239" delivered a distinctive Christmas feel. James Harvey and Michael Godfrey, both on violin, and D. Anthony Tracek-King on cello blended strings with voice on this beautiful, but all-too-short piece. This was followed by Paul Halley's "Agnus Dei." Written in 1996, it combined the classical with a sweet new age, the composition highlighting Chris Ahl on soprano saxophone.

The highlight of the show for me, however, was the next selection. I can truthfully say I have heard "Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child" many, many times, but only twice have I been emotionally moved. The first was Richie

Havens' version at Woodstock. The second was this. Candice Wilkinson's solo was like a dream, casting me back to the days when I grabbed at every note falling from the lips of a young Joan Baez. Keep an eye on Wilkinson; this young lady is something special, too.

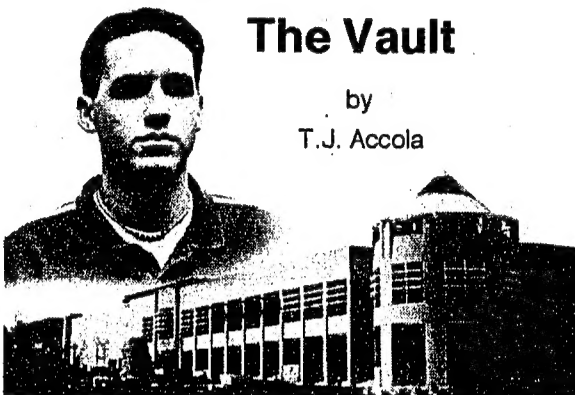
Showcase UNO! got the joint jivin' right out of the shoot. From "Mambo Swing" to "Brother Love's Traveling Salvation Show" to "Football Hero," the 21 singers and dancers had the audience singing, dancing and laughing for a solid 45 minutes.

The biggest laughs came during a Julie London-like performance of the sweltering "Fever," when Stroope was kidnapped from his seat and hauled onto stage to become the object of every lady's desire. I saw him today ... he's still blushing.

"Serve Yourself," from the musical "Pump Boys & Dinettes," was the guys' turn to bring the charm. That number quickly transformed into "Football Hero," with the girls in cheerleader outfits and the guys in football jerseys. Excellent choreography here.

By far, the most captivating performance was Christi Woods' solo of "Human Heart." Sitting here trying to think of words to describe Woods, I cannot get by "simply, WOW!"

If you would like to hear more of Chris Ahl's soprano saxophone, he teams up with Patricia Higdon on piano for a faculty artist recital Thursday evening at 7:30 at Strauss.



The Vault

by
T.J. Accola

Today is Halloween. Are any of you going to rent some scary movies and watch them with your friends, lovers, etc.? Yeah, neither am I. But it is Tuesday and although many of you have class tomorrow, that also means you already went to that Halloween party (and puked up orange screwdrivers and black beer) on Friday or Saturday. So maybe this is one year where you should go and rent a few great horror films and watch them. If you do, keep these three titles in mind:

"The Texas Chainsaw Massacre"

This film's reputation inevitably precedes it. Most people haven't even seen it. But even if you haven't, you are probably all too familiar with the character of Leatherface. I mean, with a nickname like Leatherface, how can you not be some big scary dude who runs around with a chainsaw and a blood-splattered cooking apron? Don't let me forget the fact that he wears the remnants of a mutilated face on his head. "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" was revolutionary in regards to horror films. It signaled a great new approach to horror: gritty, realistic violence occurring in your own backyard (well, maybe not that close). Before "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" was released, horror films had been stuck in the same retread since the '50s: B-budget films that relied upon either extraterrestrial creatures or furry monsters. (There were a few exceptions—"Rosemary's Baby" and a few others.) "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" added the best elements of "Psycho" (crazed human killers) and "Deliverance" (desolate rural setting), creating a truly horrifying experience. And boy, was it controversial. The film was banned in multiple countries and instantly became synonymous with "gore-fest" (despite the fact that it is really not that gory). As "The Blair Witch Project" would nearly 30 years later, "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" terrified you with what you merely expect to see. In fact, both films contained disclaimers that maintained the events within actually occurred, although they did not. But who's to say they couldn't occur? That's what is so scary.

"The Exorcist"

Considered even more of a classic than "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre," this film is often considered a great piece of American cinema in general — and rightfully so. Few films contain such indelible images as young Regan MacNeil's head, with its grayish-green skin and yellow eyes, spinning around and screaming horrific epithets? Check out

Halloween Horrors

A.M. Renee's great review of the re-released version from the Oct. 20 issue of the Gateway if you need convincing to go see the version in theaters right now. As for me, I personally prefer the original version (although I wouldn't mind having the spiderwalk/stairs scene added). Plus, it's the only version available on video or DVD. Surely you don't need any more provocation to rent the film than what you've already heard.

"The Thing"

John Carpenter's 1982 remake of the 1951 classic horror film "The Thing" is a modern classic in its own right. It now has quite a cult following among horror film enthusiasts. In my personal opinion, "The Thing" is quite simply the most visually horrific film ever made. And that's a good thing. The quite-scary story involves a team of scientists at an Arctic research station who receive an unfortunate visit from a 100,000-year-old alien entity. The entity has the ability to morph itself into any creature it comes into contact with, including humans, which establishes the context for the truly horrific visual effects. Mind you, the effects aren't the computer-generated kind so common these days, which are so often very unrealistic looking. No, these effects are physically constructed and are the scariest special effects ever put on screen. Take, for example, the disembodied human head that sprouts long spider-like legs and extended eyeballs, and then quickly scampers off into the darkness. Or the poor man whose chest caves in under the weight of electric paddles being used to revive him, revealing two rows of jagged teeth that then chomp down and devour another guy's forearms. Add to those frightening images the highly creepy setting and the great manner in which the story plays out, with a small group of men suspecting one another, not sure if the man next to him, or even himself, may be infected with the vile alien entity. I must warn you, though: the images in "The Thing" are highly potent when it comes to nightmare potential. Do not rent the film if you are queasy or faint of heart. I'm serious about that. I don't want any letters from delicate females who are mad at me for suggesting such a "sick" piece of film.

Here are a few other suggestions, in case the video store is all out of my personal trio of favorite horror films or you're don't like my suggestions: "The Shining," "Alien," "Evil Dead 2," "Dead-Alive," the original "Halloween," "Sleepy Hollow," "Rosemary's Baby," either the original or the surprisingly watchable remake of "The Blob," "Creature from the Black Lagoon."

Smile! You're Watching a Horror Film HE SAID

BRIAN BRASHAW

Staff Writer

Anyone that has been to a "scary movie" with me might have a tendency to call me sadistic. While the beautiful blonde is being chased up the stairs by the psycho killer, and everyone in the theater is on the edge of their seats waiting to see what happens, I'm sitting back, laughing.

So what? "Scary movies" make me laugh. Is that so wrong? As a matter of fact, the last three movies to make me laugh the hardest were billed as "scary movies." That's why I use quotes when I write "scary movies." They just aren't.

This genre of movies has been greatly dulled to the point of ridiculous and there is no other way to react anymore than to laugh. I mean what ever happened to the days of "Poltergeist," or "The Exorcist," or even "Psycho." At least these flicks would get the hair on your neck at attention.

And I don't even want to hear the argument about it's all been done. Until you see Mr. Rogers in a Santa suit chasing little Betsy with a letter opener down Rainbow Road with rage in his eyes, it hasn't all been done. The problem is Hollywood is all about the almighty dollar. The big graphics, the fake blood, and the big name actors/actresses that are way too far from reality. Please, show some originality, and please remember there is a difference between scary and gross.

But what about "The Blair Witch Project?" You call that a "scary movie?" That was just disgusting and if I see one more snout bubble from that girl's nose, I'm gonna scream. And the worst part, there's a sequel coming out! Shoot me now!

So where do we turn this day and age for a "scary movie?" Look no further than the title itself. "Scary Movie" was the most frightening piece of cinema garbage I have seen, maybe ever. It was scary how terrible it was.

So the point is that comedy and the horror movies have switched places in a sense for me. Most "scary movies" to me are funny, and comedies, well it's scary how bad most of them are.

You want to be scared, join the Charles Manson fan club. Until then, chill and enjoy the humor.

SHE SAID

REBECCA MANCZUK

Staff Writer

Horror movies are made to take your mind somewhere else. To make you think "What if?" To make you check your back seat before getting into your car or to make you lock your doors at night. They are there to take you somewhere you've never even dreamed of. I know that sounds sappy, but I was raised on Stephen King and old horror films. I love feeling scared. I love watching a horror film and walking out of the theater thinking "What if something like that actually happened?"

I realize that in recent years there haven't been a lot of movies out there that are actually scary, like "Scream 3" and "I Know What You Did Last Summer." That is the whole point of the movie. You need an imagination for them, and maybe that's why the older movies like "Dracula" or "Frankenstein" would never make it today. People are so used to a lot of fake blood and guts that unless an excessive amount of people die in the first 10 minutes the movie is considered stupid or silly. That can be attributed to a couple of things — one being that people today have absolutely no imagination, the second being that everything has been tried. And it has. Every scenario has been tried. Every monster, from "The Blob" to Jason Voorhees (the killer from the "Friday the 13th" series) has been done to death.

Whether you think horror films are stupid or you can't live without them, they're always going to be here. And if you are one of the people who think they are the dumbest idea ever, I challenge you to go to one and put yourself in either the victim's or the killer's shoes and then leave the theater without checking your car or making sure you're alone.



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The Most Ultimate Trivia Challenge: Halloween Time

1. Who lived at 1313 Mockingbird Lane?
2. What role did Felix Silla play on the television series, "The Addams Family?"
3. Who was the head of OGRE (Organization of Generally Rotten Enterprises) on the Saturday-morning cartoon series "The Drak Pack?"
4. Who provided the voice of the demon in the movie, "The Exorcist?"
5. According to his first movie, "Godzilla, King of the Monsters," released in 1956, how was Godzilla awakened?
6. On a dark and stormy night at his villa near Lake Geneva, Switzerland, the poet Lord Byron challenged his guests to each write a ghost story. Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin was one of his guests. What story did she write?
7. Lon Chaney Jr., Claude Rains, Evelyn Ankers and Bela Lugosi starred in what classic 1941 George Waggner horror movie?
8. Which Bram Stoker horror figure was inspired by the real-life ruler of Romania, Prince Vlad Tepes (1431-1476)?
9. What horror character did the actor Doug Bradley play?
10. In what movie do we find Hamunaptra: City of the Dead?

Answers

1. The Munsters
2. The hairy Cousin Itt
3. Doctor Dread
4. Mercedes McCambridge
5. Godzilla was awakened by nuclear testing in the Pacific Ocean.
6. Frankenstein
7. The Wolf Man
8. Dracula
9. Pinhead, from the "Hellraiser" movies
10. "The Mummy"

Campus Note

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Mav's Second Half Surge Leads to Gridiron Victory in Penalty - Laden Game

CORY CARLSON

Staff Writer

The No. 6 Mavericks beat the South Dakota State Jackrabbits 24-7 in Brookings, S. D. in a game marred by 26 penalties for a combined 246 yards. It came at a cost.

Senior recvoofd-setting tailback Adam Wright left the ballgame in the first quarter with an apparent medial-collateral ligament strain. Wright finished with just nine yards on two carries. It is not known if he will play next weekend.

Redshirt freshman running back Justin Kammrad (filling in for Wright) had his first 100-yard rushing day as a Mav, rumbling for 104 yards on 24 carries and a touchdown.

"Justin really stepped up and did a nice job for us today," Offensive Coordinator Lance Liepold said.

While the offense put numbers on the board, it was the Mav defense which keyed the victory. Junior defensive back Chad Geiger came up big with three interceptions, and led the Maverick stalwarts with seven tackles.

Junior Seth Turman started the game at quarterback, but redshirt freshman Trey Guidry finished it, sparking the sec-

ond-half surge much like Turman did last week against NDSU.

Guidry scored from one yard out in the third quarter, and ran for 51 yards on three carries.

Junior Tyree Kellogg sealed the victory with a 63-yard interception return with 4:38 to go.

The SDSU 29-year old record for penalties in a game was broken on Saturday with the 26 combined miscues.

"There's no way to get into a rhythm, and it takes away from the flow of the game for both teams," Coach Liepold said.

The Maverick defense played inspired football, holding the 'Rabbits star tailback Josh Ranek to 95 yards on 19 carries. SDSU quarterbacks were picked off four times in the game leading to almost all of the Mavs 24 points.

Senior nose tackle Troy Tesmer led the defensive push up front with three tackles for loss, including one sack.

The Mavs come home next week to face Augustana. The Auggies beat No.5 North Dakota 35-23 on Saturday. The Mavs sit alone atop the NCC standings with two home games remaining.

Scoring Summary

Team	1	2	3	4	Final
UNO	3	0	7	14	24
SDSU0	7	0	0	7	7

1st 00:15 UNO -

Troy Severson 35 yd. field goal

2nd 00:47 SDSU -

Brock Beran 29 yd. pass from Andy Rennerfeldt (Andy Nelson kick good)

3rd 01:48 UNO -

Trey Guidry 1 yd. run (Severson kick good)

4th 11:02 UNO -

Justin Kammrad 5 yd. run (Severson kick)

04:38 UNO -

Tyree Kellogg 63 yd. interception return (Severson kick)

Mavs Swim to a Split in Colorado

BRIAN BRADSHAW

Staff Writer

The UNO Maverick women's swimming and diving teams traveled to Colorado to open their road schedule. UNO downed the Colorado School of Mines 120-111, and fell to NCC opponent Northern Colorado 190-109.

After opening the season with two wins over South Dakota and South Dakota State, the Mavericks took an undefeated mark to the Colorado School of Mines.

The 400 freestyle team of Malia Bruening, Trina Larson, Kristy Malone, and Stacy Crook, clinched the win for UNO.

In all, the Mavericks won 8 of 13 events including junior Jamie Haferbier's wins in the 50m freestyle and the 100 breaststroke.

The Mavs then traveled to Northern Colorado University for their North Central Conference match.

Despite Haferbier's qualifying mark for the NCAA Division II national championships in the 200M freestyle, UNO lost the dual 190-109. Haferbier did notch wins in the 200M breaststroke and the 50 freestyle.

Freshman Amanda Mahan got her first collegiate win with a victory in the 100M breaststroke in a time of 1:12.46.

Junior Aja Wurth won the 1-meter diving event.

The Mavericks swam against Metro State Saturday evening, but those results did not reach The Gateway in time for deadline. We will have those results in Friday's edition.

The team stays on the road for the Truman State meet next weekend.

Maverick Hockey Team Sweeps Ferris State

BRIAN BRADSHAW

Staff Writer

The UNO Maverick hockey team defended the Bulpen proudly with a 7-4, 7-3 sweep of Central Collegiate Hockey Association foe Ferris State this weekend.

The first period of Friday's game saw the Ferris State Bulldogs playing fetch. UNO got on the board just 1:28 into the match when James Chalmers pushed home a rebound.

Ferris fetched a response. Eight minutes and 57 seconds in, Brett Smith knotted the score at one by finding a small hole in Dan Ellis' armor.

The Mavericks again jumped out to a lead in the first period on Jeff Hoggan's first goal of the season to give UNO a very temporary lead. Temporary because 23 seconds later, the Bulldogs tied the match again. Josh Bowers scored his first of two goals on the night to knot the game at two.

The knot was broken by UNO in the second period when the Mavs rattled off three goals within three minutes. Greg Zanon scored his first of the year; David Brisson scored at the 15:34 mark; and rookie Andrew Wong registered his first collegiate goal just 31 seconds later.

"Finally," Wong said. "It's good to get that first one out of the way. It had been on my mind for sure."

Phil Meyer put the Bulldogs back into the game with Ferris State's only power play goal of the evening 1:36 into the third frame.

The Mavericks muzzled the Bulldogs renewed bark quickly. Zach Scribner gave UNO a 6-3 lead on the team's fourth power-play goal of the night.

"Our power play finally came alive," Zanon said. "We needed that to happen."

Each team registered another goal. Bowers got his second for FSU and Wong got his second for UNO for the 7-4 final.

The shootout continued Saturday. With a second consecutive seven-goal performance, UNO completed the sweep, winning 7-3.

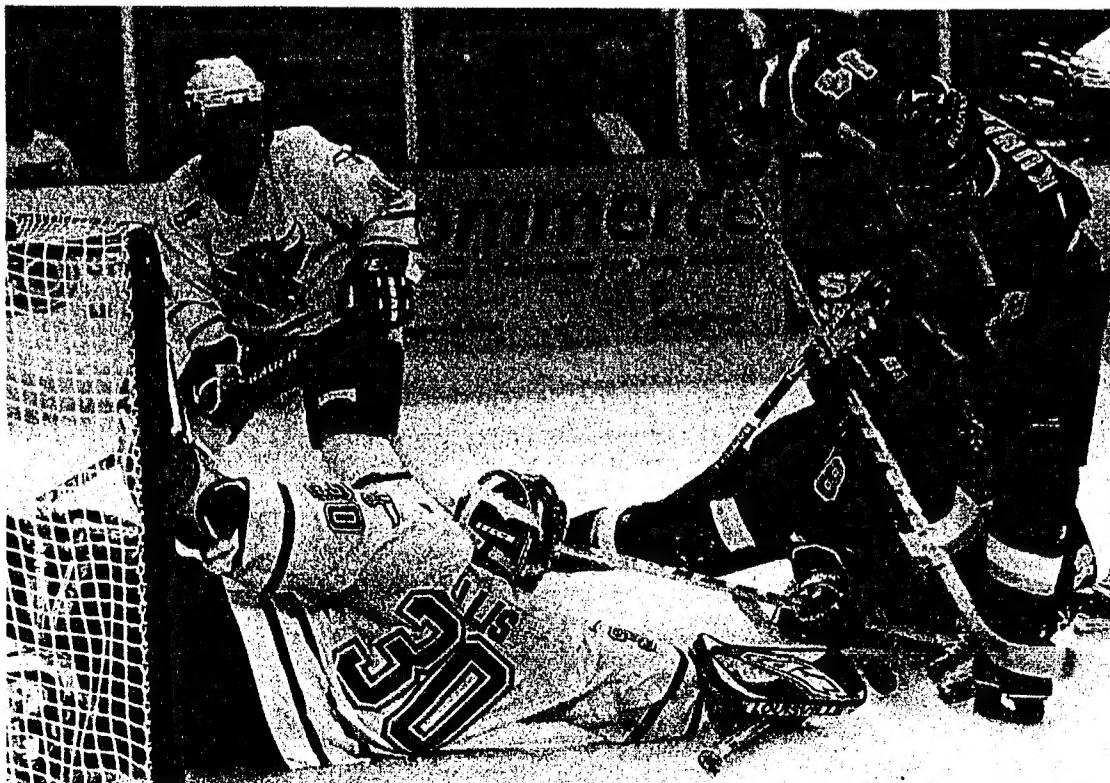
Andrew Wong scored his third goal of the weekend 7:15 into the game for a 1-0 UNO edge.

The Bulldogs battled back to tie, just as they had Friday. Ferris State overcame a shorthanded situation to tie the game at one. Phil Meyer got the goal for the Bulldogs.

The Mavericks did get one more goal to take a 2-1 lead at the first intermission on Scott Turner's first as a Mav, yet the call-and-respond trend would continue.

Ferris State responded in the second. A traffic jam in

see HOCKEY, page 11



Ferris State's Chris Kunitz sneaks the puck past UNO's Dan Ellis Saturday night for a power play goal, but the Mavs won 7-3.

Chris Machian

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Mavs Have Bewitching Weekend

MELISSA KUCIREK

Senior Staff Writer

The NCAA Division II No. 3 UNO volleyball team ended its home stand over the weekend by tricking Minnesota State Mankato 15-3, 15-8, 15-2 Saturday. On Friday, UNO treated St. Cloud State to a 15-8, 15-10, 15-4 punishment. UNO's North Central Conference record improved to 12-2, 24-2 overall.

Playing before a crowd of 511, seniors Bethany Tygert, Tracy Ankeny, and Krista Niezwaag took the floor for the final time at Sapp Fieldhouse. The trio helped UNO sweep through Mankato in just over an hour.

With UNO up 4-0 in game one, Mankato Head Coach Doug Tully took a time-out. After the break, UNO freshman Amy Fauss sent an outside hit straight down the line, giving UNO another point. UNO led 6-0 when Tully took his second time-out.

Mankato didn't get its first point until a close UNO free ball resulted in Tygert being called for a net violation. UNO still led 12-1.

Game point for the Mavs started with freshman Heather Van Ackeren's serve. Sophomore Jewelina Grennan ended play with a deep corner kill out of the middle.

UNO fell behind 1-5 early in game two, when Head Coach Rose Shires took a time-out.

"We started off with poor passing in game two," Shires said. "We just tightened up the passing and gave our setters an opportunity to set the ball. We knew we could take care of it as hitters."

Mastny responded to UNO's point deficit by making two consecutive kills.

Grennan joined in with a high reaching tip over Mankato's right front position.

Van Ackeren noted UNO had adjusted its hitting game since the last meeting against Mankato.

"We made specific tip options that we knew would be there," Van Ackeren said.

Van Ackeren came in to serve for Fauss and pushed the Mavs up 8-7 thanks to a Grennan and freshman Kylie Lebeda combo block.

Niezwaag's kill in the middle of the floor ended that game.

The third game saw the UNO Mavericks complete the nightmare for the Mankato Mavericks 15-2.

UNO dominated the match in kills. Grennan led with nine kills, Mastny getting eight. Ankeny hit .385, while Fauss, Niezwaag, and Grennan were each over .400.

Tygert ended the night with 24 set assists, compared to Mankato setter Jennifer Blundermann's 15.

"We played with passion, we played inspired," Shires said. "And we went after it. What you're seeing now with Mankato is a team at the end of their conference season where they've been beaten up. It's difficult to stay aggressive."

UNO vs. St. Cloud State Mav attacker Tracy Ankeny took full advantage of the Huskies' defense early, abusing its left back position. She finished the match with a team-leading 15 kills.

Key service aces from Niezwaag, Ankeny, and Mastny helped push UNO to the 15-8, 15-10, 15-4 win. Tygert finished with 19 assists, with Lebeda adding



UNO's Senior Bethany Tygert gives it her all against St. Cloud State, Saturday night for the Mavs final regular season home game.

CM Chris Machlan

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UNO now focuses on the conference crown.

"Our goal is to still win the conference championship," Shires said.

Tygert had no time to reflect on the weekend being her last at Sapp Fieldhouse.

"We feel like there's so much left of our season," Tygert said.

The Mavs are back on the road playing four away games over the next 11 days prior to the start of the NCAA Regionals.

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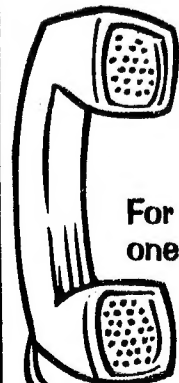
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She Won't Turn Her Back

MELISSA KUCIREK

Senior Staff Writer

"I can't even explain it," Jenni Leonard said. "So many emotions came at me at once. But, at the same time it was a relief. I finally knew after years that they told me what was wrong and they could fix it."

Leonard heard the news that she would need surgery after years of struggling through pain to play volleyball. Gone is the pain, but she still has heartache from not being able to help her NCAA Division II No. 3 Maverick teammates.

Leonard suffers from spindulothesis. The junior from Hastings, Minn., had two cracks in her vertebrae, both going all the way through the bone.

Going into the 2000 season Leonard knew she would be unable to see the court. After surgery Aug. 9, she began an up-hill battle.

"One of my goals going into the season, knowing that I would be sitting on the bench, is making a difference," Leonard said. "One of my biggest fears is that I'm not making a difference."

The daughter of James and Carol Leonard now involves herself with game planning and cheering from the bench.

After leaving her Minnesota roots, six hours away, Leonard saw limited action during her freshman season. In her sophomore season, the 5-foot-11 middle-blocker struggled through her old nagging back injury.

Leonard is not the only Mav who has struggled through injuries. Senior setter Bethany Tygert has a bruised career history. Tygert has overcome two ACL injuries and underwent yet another arthroscopic knee surgery Aug. 12.

"BT (Tygert) and I have really connected, she knows what it's like," Leonard said.

Earlier this season Tygert's support came during a shining moment for UNO. The Mavericks had just beaten No. 2 Augustana College in a highly emotional and grueling five-set match.

After the win, the team ran to the court to congratulate

one another. Leonard cried tears of joy and pain. Tygert spotted her.

"I can't get up and jump, or run into the huddle," Leonard said. "I just stood at the end of the bench and watched. BT was the first person to come up to me and tell me that I had helped win that game."

Head Coach Rose Shires and her assistant Karen Povondra have shown support for Leonard. They have encouraged her to work more on her studies and to work out by swimming. She is able to do work-outs in the pool because her movements are non-weight-bearing.

"Both Rose and Karen have been very supportive, keeping me involved," Leonard said. "Just asking how my day is has helped, just the little things like that."

A year ago, Leonard may not have realized that loading her bags on the bus could have been taken for granted. Before clearance from her doctor, Leonard couldn't travel with her teammates.

"One of the hardest things for me to do was watch my team leave, and wish them good luck while I stayed at school," Leonard said.

The physical education major knew she wanted to come to UNO after her initial spring-break visit. While meeting only two players, the attraction of a well-based program caught Leonard.

"The two I met had nothing but good things to say," Leonard said.

Advice from her parents has gotten her through this season. She has handled what has been put upon her.

"Throughout life I have given the advice that God only puts us through what we can handle," Leonard said. "And now is the time to let people say it to me. I'm realizing that so much because this is making me stronger."

Leonard is compelled to continue her career as a UNO volleyball player, pain free and reminds herself of that each day.

"Knowing that someday, I'll be able to play again," Leonard said. "And it won't hurt."



Jenni Leonard sits out for games while recovering from surgery, but she is always there to cheer on her team.

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The "Hockey Pimps" analyze the East.

Brian: "Spout off some picks to me Jim, I don't know a thing. Well, in first place I have the New Jersey Devils. Jim you're an idiot, you have the Devils in sec-

ond."

Jim: "You know why, because the Toronto Maple Leafs had the two best off season pick-ups. Gary Roberts and Shane Corson, both tough players."

Brian: "You're not going to argue against that the Devils are the most solid team are you?"

Jim: "They are the most solid team, yes. The Leafs, though have Curtis Joseph, who's a winner. The Devils will be a force but it's Toronto's time."

Brian: "Martin Brodeur, enough said. Devils in the East. Now the third spot is where we strongly disagree. I have the Washington Capitals getting that spot because they win a week southeast division."

Jim: "Washington's a good pick, but they are the average oldest team in the league. I'm taking the Florida Panthers. They are young, and they have Pavel Bure. If Bure stays healthy they will be dangerous."

Brian: "Philly is No. 4 yes?"

Jim: "Yeah the Philadelphia Flyers. I think they can very easily be one or two. Hopefully goalie Brian Boucher is the real deal, not a one-year wonder. They have John LeClair, Rick Tocchet, Eric DeJardins, Keith Primeau, and Mark Recchi. They are loaded."

Brian: "You can't say no

to this team. They are going to make the playoffs. That's a given."

Jim: "Fifth I have Ottawa. Alexi Yashin is back. If he stays with them,

they will be even better."

Brian: "I'm going with Buffalo, because I think a full season with Dominik Hasek is going to help them steady their record. The team plays better in front of Hasek, and Miroslav Satan is an animal. I do have Ottawa sixth."

Jim: "Ottawa has Daniel Alfredsson, Radek Bonk, Wade Redden. They are very solid. Goaltending may be a question. They didn't resign Tom Barrasso, so they are going with young and untested Patrick Lalime. They may end up getting someone else."

Brian: "I had Pittsburgh seventh, while you had them sixth. Jaromir Jagr is the heart and soul of that team."

Jim: "There is no reason to think that Pittsburgh won't make the playoffs. They have enough talent. Now as for seventh, I have Buffalo because they always barely limp into the playoffs. Yet they are never a team you want to play in the first round."

Brian: "For the last playoff spot, I went out on a limb with the New York Rangers. The reason is because they have so much pressure on that team to make the play-

offs, that if they don't the stuff is gonna hit the ceiling."

Jim: "I as well took the Rangers in that last spot. If they can start

bringing up their youth and incorporating them in with the veterans with Mark Messier back, and with Theoren Fleury and Valeri Kamensky, they can make it."

Brian: "It's going to be interesting come late March when the Rangers are in anywhere from seventh to ninth place, and they are hanging on by a thread, and the pressure alone drives them into the eighth spot."

The Breakdown:

Brian's Eastern Picks
Jim's Eastern Picks

1. New Jersey Devils
1. Toronto Maple Leafs
2. Toronto Maple Leafs
2. New Jersey Devils
3. Washington Capitals
4. Philadelphia Flyers
5. Philadelphia Flyers
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One-on-One with Coach Lehman

CORY CARLSON

Staff Writer

Head Basketball Coach Kevin Lehman is entering his sixth year at the helm of an emerging program in the NCC. The Iowa City native talked about the recent turnaround of the basketball program and cites improvements such as the new wood floor, dormitories, and the upgraded facilities as aiding in his success. Lehman is coming off of back to back winning seasons and hopes to continue building on that success in 2000. UNO opens the season with the "Black and Red" intrasquad scrimmage on Nov. 1.

Gateway: How does the strong finish a year ago carry over into the start of this year?

Coach Lehman: Last year was a bitter-sweet ending. We won five of our last six games. We won our last three on the road. We narrowly missed being picked for a regional. We're real excited about how strong we finished but disappointed that we didn't get to keep playing. Last year didn't get to the postseason tournament and we were a perfect team for that because we were playing better than anyone the last three weekends. For this year, the bar's been raised and the expectations are higher, which they should be.

Gateway: How have the recent upgrades to the facilities helped you in recruiting?

Lehman: It has been tremendous. Two things have helped this basketball program. The renovation of the athletic complex which number one from that has been the wood court. New locker room, weight room, academic resource room, and meeting rooms. Secondly, the dormitories have been a huge addition. The fact that is an option has been tremendous as far as recruiting. It gives parents a whole different view of this university.

Gateway: How important are the other sports programs at UNO to your success?

Lehman: So much has happened here.

HOCKEY

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front of Ellis produced the Bulldog's only power play goal of the night from Chris Kunitz.

Joe Pereira netted the Mavericks third goal off a Noel-Bernier feed. Jeff Hoggan got the game winner late in the second.

"Hoggan's goal in the last minute of the period was a real boost. I still know how it went in," Head Coach Mike Kemp said.

Persistence paid off in the form of another goal as Phil Lewandowski's score pulled FSU to within one. However, UNO rattled off three more goals in the last 11 minutes to finish with seven total goals for the second straight evening.

UNO used Ferris State as a coming-out party. Rookies Andrew Wong, Scott Turner, Aaron Smith and Mike Gabinet as well as Ellis all earned their first collegiate points. Vets Jason Cupp, Pereira, and Zach Scribner all registered their first points of the year. In all, 16 different Mavs had points on the weekend.

"That's what you want to see. We got quite a few guys who got their inaugural point. It was a good weekend for a lot of different guys," Kemp said.

The Mavericks travel next weekend to where they have never been, as UNO plays the Lake Superior State Lakers on the road in continuation of CCHA action.

Hockey has changed the image of the university. The success of our football team, volleyball team, softball and wrestling teams have enhanced the image here. I don't think there has been anything bigger than the addition of the dormitories. I don't compete against football, basketball, or hockey because they're not my competition. Every program helps each other because success builds success. Athletic teams are great representatives of a university.

Gateway: How does this year's team look so far?

Coach Lehman: Right now we're trying to establish our own personality, our own identity. We're trying to find out who we are. This year it's a little more difficult because we're a very young team.

Gateway: You're on a roll with two winning seasons in a row. 15-12 in 1999 and 18-11 last year. How do you keep it going?

Coach Lehman: Your lifeblood in any college athletic program is recruiting. You have to recruit quality people. You have to combine personal characteristics with athletic talent. The biggest unknown in recruiting is that you can't measure a kid's heart. I've had walk-ons start on championship teams and players with great credentials flop. It's not an exact science.

Gateway: What's the key to winning in the North Central Conference?

Coach Lehman: The formula for winning in this league is you win all your home games and you try and do better that a split on the road. You've got to steal some on the road but it's a must that you protect your home court. There are no easy games in this league.

Gateway: What was the turnaround point for this basketball program?

Coach Lehman: The consistency finally came in the 1998-1999 season. That was the first year we had all of our own recruits here. We had one senior and that team was very motivated to accomplish their goals.

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11:30 am Screening Committee - Student Orgs.
12 noon Catholic Campus Ministry
1 pm Candidate Interview
4 pm Student Social Work
6 pm Native American Studies
6 pm Alpha Xi Delta

Wed., Nov. 1st

7 am Chapter Summary

8 am Services for Students with Disabilities
9:30 am Student Affairs Professional Staff
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11 am Traffic Appeals
11 am Alpha Xi Delta
11:30 am Joe White Luncheon
11:30 am Screening Committee - Student Orgs.
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